State Board Retreat

The State Board of Education/State Board for Vocational Education held a retreat Tuesday, September 27, 2016 at the Cove at BayCenter in Dewey Beach, Delaware. The retreat session began at 8:23 a.m. The following Board members were in attendance: Dr. Teri Quinn Gray, President; Nina Lou Bunting, Vice President; Gregory B. Coverdale, Jr., and G. Patrick Heffernan. Donna R. Johnson, State Board Executive Director, and Deputy Attorney General Valerie Dunkle were also present.

The Retreat began with each Board member providing their reflections from the previous day. The Board also noted that a WEIC presentation would be coming to the State Board before the end of the year. The Board continued its discussion on ESSA and the DSSF.

The Board recessed from 9:53 a.m. to 10:05 a.m.

David Blowman and Denise Stouffer from the Department presented the revisions to the Charter Framework. There was discussion on the new indicators: meets, approaching or needs improvement and far below standard. It was noted that the alternate academic framework is still being developed. Ms. Stouffer also highlighted the renewal process.

The Board recessed for lunch from 12:00 Noon to 1:08 p.m.

The Board spent its afternoon session discussing its key priorities. The Board also provided input to the Joint Sunset Committee's questionnaire on the Board's successes and challenges.

The Board recessed from 3:00 p.m. to 3:18 p.m.

Dr. Gray provided an overview of the Board's discussion which will be included on the JSC questionnaire.

The Retreat was adjourned at 4:00 p.m.